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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: President's Safety Award Program

1. On 14 November 1955 we directed a memorandum to you on the subject of the "Status of Agency Safety Program" which referred to the President's letter dated 11 October 1954 and Philip Young's letter dated 14 October 1955, both concerned with the President's Safety Award. In our memorandum we concluded from an initial review of the "Standards for Annual Selection of Recipient of the President's Safety Award" that it did not appear that the Agency can compete for the award because of the security problems posed in furnishing the type of information required.

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2. Following receipt from [REDACTED] of the enclosed letter dated 12 October 1955 from the Secretary of Labor to the Director of Central Intelligence, a study has been made of the "Standards for Annual Selection of Recipient of the President's Safety Award" which confirms our initial opinion and the results of the study are set forth below.

a. The statistical data would be obtained from the Bureau of Employees' Compensation and would include "injury cost per employee". For security reasons approximately 20% of all Agency Compensation Cases are handled internally without reference to the Bureau of Employees' Compensation.

b. Documentary evidence, signed by the principal deputies throughout all major subdivisions of the Central Intelligence Agency, showing "what specific activities are prescribed for controlling accident problems as related to extent and complexity of basic operations" would be required. This requirement alone would obviously exclude a large portion of the Central Intelligence Agency functions.

c. Type of all accidents and records of current experience would be required.

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e. The judges have the prerogative to request additional information relative to the stated standards or to make a "spot" survey if appropriate.

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Sheffield Edwards
Director of Security

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Secretary of Labor

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